

**The Solemnity of ALL SAINTS**

**Year A**

**Sunday, November 1, 2020**

**Readings: 1) Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14 2) 1 John 3:1-3 3) Matthew 5:1-12a**

### **Sunday Liturgy**

**The focus for today's Mass is: Today we honor the saints, the holy men and women who lived and died as faithful disciples of Jesus.**

**Today's solemnity of All Saints calls us to honor all the saints in heaven. We do this by learning from the example of their lives so we come to a deeper understanding of what it means to live as faithful disciples of Jesus. By asking them to pray and to intercede with God on our behalf, may we grow in holiness and stand steadfast in faith.**

**The first reading from the Book of Revelation presents a mystical and majestic vision of heaven. The second reading reminds us that we are all called *children of God*, a name to cherish. In the Gospel, Jesus teaches his disciples the eight beatitudes.**

### **GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**

**PRIEST:**

**Trusting in God's love and faithfulness,  
let us bring our petitions before him.**

**For our Holy Father, Pope Francis,  
may he continue to inspire us by his acts of kindness to all.  
We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.**

**For all leaders, called to serve others through their leadership.  
We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayers.**

**For all who are sick in mind, spirit and body.  
We Pray to the Lord. Lord hear our prayer.**

**For the faithful departed,  
may they find rest and eternal life in heaven.  
We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.**

**For this faith community,  
may the saints in heaven intercede on our behalf  
so we may continue to grow in our faith and love for Jesus  
We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.**

**For our own personal intentions, ..... (long pause).  
We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.**

**PRIEST:**

**Father, in your goodness hear our prayers today and answer them,  
we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.**